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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: 2 August 1976 Meeting with the Staff of the Subcommittee on Intelligence Collection, Production, and Quality, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

1. Section 13 of S. Res. 400, which established the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, requires that Committee to conduct a study on "the quality of analytical capabilities of the United States foreign intelligence agencies and means for integrating more closely analytical intelligence and policy formation." The study is to take into consideration "all relevant aspects of the effectiveness of planning, gathering, use, security, and dissemination of intelligence." The Committee hopes to have a preliminary paper prepared by November 1976.

2. Hal Ford, [redacted] Subcommittee staff charged with this study. He has asked for intelligence community assistance of three types:

- a. access to intelligence community products;
- b. the opportunity to interview intelligence personnel of their choosing;
- c. as the study proceeds, the Committee may request written Agency contributions on particular subjects.

3. An initial meeting is scheduled for Monday, 2 August, at 10:00 a.m. in the DDI Conference Room. Present from the Subcommittee staff will be: Hal Ford; perhaps Bill Miller, Staff Director; and three or four others assigned to this study. Ford has indicated he would like to cover the following subjects:

- a. He will first discuss the Subcommittee's study--e.g., what they hope to accomplish and how they intend to proceed.
- b. Matching what intelligence consumers want and what is produced; how producers know what consumers want; KIQ's - explain what they are and what successes and problems they have had; what mechanisms there are for evaluating whether consumers get what they need.

c. Overview of Intelligence Production -

What intelligence products are available?
What products go to what consumers?

d. Means of Communication -

What means of communication are available to transmit intelligence to consumers, and how often are they used?
What new formats have been used and how have they been received?

e. How does intelligence support policy-makers in on-going negotiations and crisis situations? Examples - SALT verification and monitoring the Sinai Accords. What organizations and what procedures have been established?

f. What changes have come about or can be expected in intelligence production in light of E.O. 11905?

4. In connection with part (c), Ford would like an inventory of intelligence products and would like to see examples of them. Ford realizes the staff cannot review and evaluate all intelligence production, so they want to examine the products and determine categories they will review.

5. At the pre-briefing session tomorrow at 11:00 a.m. in the DDI Conference Room, I would like to discuss who is best qualified to informally talk to the staff on the above subjects, [redacted] and how we might best organize the examples we will have on Monday.

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